

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Application of:   Takahisa HIKITA	Confirmation No.:   7140
Application No.:   10/573,321	Examiner:           Eric J. Hug
Filed:               March 24, 2006	Group Art Unit:    1791

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For:   PRESS BELT AND SHOE PRESS ROLL

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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of November 10, 2008, please amend this application as follows.